

Prognostication,

For this Year of Man's Redemption, 1684.

Being Bessextile, or, Leap Year.

Containing the moveable Feasts: the Eclipses: the four Quarters of the year: the Changes of the Moon, with the disposition of the weather. And the whole known Fairs of Scotland. With several other things worthe of the noticing.

Serving most fitly for the most part of the Kingdom of Scotland, but more especially for our City of GLASGOW, where the Pole is elevated 55. deg. 55. min.

Set out at Aberdeen. By a painful Astronomer, and well-wisher of his Country



GLASGOW.

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A Computation of time, even to this Year 1684.

	The Creation of the World	- - -	5633
	The general Deluge	- - -	3977
	Fergus the first King of Scotland	- - -	2013
	The building of Solomons Temple	- - -	2701
	Rome was built by Romulus	- - -	2436
	The Scots entred Albion	- - -	2102
	The building of Edinburgh Castle	- - -	2014
	The last destruction of Jerusalem by Vespasian	- - -	1615
	The Christian Faith was received in Scotland	- - -	1474
	The building of the high Church of Glasgow	- - -	486
Since	The first invention of Guns	- - -	304
	The inventiō of Printing in Europe, before in China	- - -	244
	The Colledge of Glasgow was built	- - -	229
	The appearing of the new star in Cassiopeia	- - -	111
	The Gun-powder Treason, November 5.	- - -	79
	The birth of King CHARLES the second	- - -	54
	The Duke Hamiltons engagement	- - -	36
	The great fire in Glasgow	- - -	32
	The last great Plague in London	- - -	18
	The great fire in London	- - -	17
	The fall of an arch of the bridge of Glasgow,	- - -	13
	The last great fire in Glasgow Nov. 2. 1677.	- - -	7

Common Notes and moveable Eaſts this Year, 1784.

P	Prime, or Golden Number	- - -	13.
	Dominical Letter	- - -	F. E.
	The Circle of the Sun.	- - -	13.
	The Epact	- - -	23.
	The Roman indiction.	- - -	7.
	Fastens-even, which in England is called Shrove-tuesd.	- - -	12. Febr.
	Ash Wednesday on the Morn.	- - -	
	Pasch, or Easter	- - -	March 30.
	Whitsunday	- - -	May 18.
	Trinity Sunday.	- - -	May 25.

Between Candlemas and Fastens-even, are 9. dayes inclusive.

In this Year 1684. There will be four Eclipses two of the Sun, and two of the Moon.

THe first is of the Sun the sixth day of January, 8. min. past 6. a clock at night, in 26. degrees of the Celestial Globe. The Eclipses, will be great, Viz. 11. digits of the Suns body will be obscured; But invisible to us because of the Suns being beneath our Horizon. But Visible in the West Indies.

The Second of the Moon on the 17. day of June 9. min. past 3. in the morning, Visible to us, this Eclipse is exceeding small, yet worthy observation.

The Third is an Eclipse of the Sun: the second day of July, about three of the clock in the afternoon; a great Eclipse and about 2. third part of the Suns body will be obscured from our sight.

The Fourth is of the Moon on the 11. day of December, 14. min. past 11. at night, it will be a great Eclipse near to a total & visible to us.

Saturn and Mars, are in conjunction on the third of October in the 13. 16. of Virgo. which imports that there will be jangling and unjust dealings.

A full Description of the four Quarters of this Year 1684.

THe Suns entrie into Aries this Year on the 10. of March, one which day the Spring begins which is on Monday, making the dayes and nights equal.

The Summer Quarter begins at the Suns entrance into Cancer which is on Wednesday: being the 11. of June when the dayes are at the longest and the nights at the shortest.

The Harvest Quarter begins at the Suns entrance into Libra which is on Fryday being the 12. of September, when the dayes and nights again grow equal.

The winter Quarter begins at the Suns entrance into Capricorn, which is on Thursday, being the 11. of December when the dayes are at the shortest and the nights at the longest.

The four Termly Quarters of this Year 1684.

THe first Termly Quarter, begins on Fryday, February 2. called Candlemas-day.

Second Quarter begins on Tuesday, May 1. though the Vulgar reckon from May 3. called Rood-day.

Third Quarter begins on Wednesday, August 1. called Lammas-day.

The fourth and last Termly Quarter begins on Thursday November 1. which is called Hallow-day, so that Hallow-Even this Year falls on Wednesday at night.

The changes of the Moon, with the disposition of the Weather, for this year 1684.

Exxj. January begins on Tuesday.

The Sun riseth 23. min. after 8. and sets 23. min. after four.

Change on Sunday, the 6. day, 6. min. past 5. in the afternoon.

First Quarter on Sunday, the 13. day, 8. m. past 6. in the afternoon.

Full Moon on Monday the 21. day, 57. m. past 5. in the morning.

Last Quarter on Monday the 28. day, 13. m. past 9. at night.

This ~~Month~~ Year begins with Frost the first 6. dayes, thence to the 15. cold winds with Snow; thence to the 20. more seasonable, the 21. 22. 23. some rain the rest of the month seasonable.

If thou be sick, and health wouldst have,
The counsel of the Learned crave.

The first Fair in the year is S. Naughlans, at the Kirk of Bebbelny, in Gerry, upon the 7. day. S. Mungo in Glasgow the 13. day a fair; and at Dunkel and Kilwinning the 12. day.

Exix. February begins on Fryday.

The Sun riseth 28. min. after 7. and sets 32. min. after 4.

Change on Tuesday the 5. day, 58. min. past 10. in the morning.

First Quar. on Wednesday the 13. day 12. m. past 2. in afternoon.

Full Moon on Wednesday the 20. day, at 6. a clock at night.

Last Quar. on Wednesday the 27. day 57. min. past 7. in morning.

The first 4. dayes cold frosty weather, thence to the 10. somewhat temperat, the 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. brave Weather for Ducks and Geese: from the 15. to the 19. Dark and misty, the 20. and 21. some raw frost: the 22. 23. 24. stormy winds: and the rest of the moneth more sober yet remains cold.

The first day at *Abernethy* and *Forres* in *Murrayland*, called *S. Brides day*. On *Candlemass day* in *Bamff*, *Dunkel Dingwal*, *Dowglas*, the 2. day. *Valentins day* in *Linlithgow* the 14. day, and *Forfar* the 15. holding eight days. *Ashwednesday fair* begins on *Fasten-even*; at *Lanerk* the same day, *Vally-field* the 24. day.

Be choice of food in any wise,
To keep thee warm also precise :

XXI. March begins on Saturday.

The Sun riseth 18. min. after 6. and sets 42. min. after 5.

New Moon on Thursday the 6. day 30. min. past 3. in the morning.
First Quar. on Friday the 14. day, 54. min. past 6. in the morning.
Full Moon on Friday the 21. day 11. min. past 2. in the afternoon.
Last Quar. on Thursday the 27. day, 57. m. past 7. at night.

This moneth begins with heigh cold winds the first 3. or 4. dayes, to the 8. some cold showers, from the 8. to 12. cloudy raw frost: then to the 14. some mist, the 15. 16. and to the 23. drying winds, thence to the 28. good weather but inclining to coldness, the moneth closes with pleasant weather.

Now bleed and bathe, if thou desire,
And purge also, if need require.

S. Monence in *Aberdene*, *Dumfermling*, *Abercherder* and *S. Marnoch Kirk* the first day, at *Pettenween* the 3. *S. Duthas* in *Tane of Ross* the 9. in *Auchertuel* and *Innerness* the 10. *S. Gausnan* the 12. day: *S. Patrick* in *Dumbarton*, and at the Kirk of *Strageeth* and at *Kirkadie* a fair of horse, neat & sheep, &c. the 16. day; in *S. Johnston* the 19. *Cuthbert* in *Langton* of the *Mers* the 20. day: *Lady-day* in *Westweems*, *Bamff*, *Auchtermuchti* the 25. *Midlentrone fair* at *Banchrie* on Thursday before *Midlentrone Sunday*; *Palm Sunday* at the Kirk of *Forrig* and in *S. Johnston*; and *Skiert Thursday fair* upon Thursday before *Good-friday* at *Cowper* of *Angus*, otherwise *Monks Cowper* a fair in *Forres*, called *S. Marks fair*, the first Tuesday after *Easter* yearly.

Err. April begins on Tuesday.

The sun riseth 50. min. before 6. sets 10. min. before 7.

Change on Friday the 4. day, 9. min. past 8. at night

First Quar. on Saturday the 12. day, 56. m. past 6. in the afternoon.

Full Moon on Saturday the 19. day, 6. min. past 9. in the morning

Last Quar. on Saturday the 26. day 58. min. past 8. in the morning.

This month begins with rainy weather the first 6. days thence to the 10. fair, the 11. 12. 13. 14. and 15. Drouthy Winds, from the 15. to the 22. right pleasant weather for the Season, thence to the 27. some smal rain; the rest of the moneth warm growing weather

Now wholesom baths thou mayst frequent;

Let blood also, and not repent:

S. Oles fair at the Kirk of Cruden the first tuesday: at Leslie on tuesday before Easter; in Corstorphine the first tuesday after Easter a fair. A new fair in Kirkintilloch the 15. of Horse meat, and sheep, and several other Commodities, S. Donald fair at the Kirk of Auchterless the 17. in Old Aberdene on Skirethursday. S. Mark Evangelist in Dysert the 23. Beltanday the first the 26. a fair at Rugland the 28. continuing four days: at Leven the 29. day, and in Kilreni the 30. day, at Borrowstounness the first Tuesday after Pasch.

Whiles in March, and whiles in April.

Skirethursday before Pasch in Old Aberdene, Glasgowe, Dumbartan, Cowper of Angus, Elgin of Murray. Pasch Monday in Cowper of Fife, Lanerk and Irwing. Loze-sunday after Pasch in Killimure, and all the week after at the Senzie of S. Andrews.

Erri. May begins on Thursday.

The sun riseth 6. min. after 4. sets 6. min. before 8.

Change on Sunday the 4. day, at 1 in the afternoon.

First Quar. on Monday the 12. day, 17. min. past 4. afternoon.

Full Moon on Sunday the 18. day, 5. min. past 6. in the afternoon.

Last Quar. on Monday the 26. day, 30. min. past 1. in the morning

The first 5. dayes Seasonable warm weather, thence to the 10. some Thunder and lightnings, then to the 15. some

Some warm rains, to the 22, hot and dry, the 23. 24. 25.
dark and clondy, and all the rest of the moneth hot and
pleasant weather for the spring.

Rise early now this month of May,

And walk the fields that be so gay:

The first day, called S. Philip a fair in the Grange within the
Sheriffdom of Linlithgow. Also a fair at New Church of
Kilpatrick free of custome for seven years. Holy Cross day the se-
cond Beltan in Monroff, Kinrocher: Rude fair in Ellen, and in
Peebles the 3. at Ranfrew of horse, neat, sheep, custom free for
3. years a fair of horse neat and sheep and other merchand ware
at the Clachen in nether Lorn the 2. wensday in may the 9.
day: at Carlouk the tenth at Bamff, and at Kirkadie a fair of
neat and sheep, &c. the 16. day; in Leslie on thursday before
Whitsunday: Sterling fair ten days before Whitsunday: in
Stonehive upon tuesday before Whitsunday, with a weekly mers
cat every thursday.

Whiles in May, and whiles in June.

bur Whitsunmunday in Glasgowe, Dumbarton, Lanerk and Jed-
burgh. Whitsuntuesday, called Pardunday, in the Chanrie of
Ross, Peterhead, and at the Kirk of Ninions above Kirkadie, and
Barrowstownness. Trinity munday in Edinburgh and Friche
eight days; in S. Andrews one day, in Burntiland one day A
fair in the Burgh of Linlithgow the first thursday after Whitsun-
day. Trinity tuesday in Rugland lasting two dayes Trinity
thursday in Falkland.

Err. June begins on Sunday.

Sun. riseth 37. min. before 4. sets 37. min. after 8.

Chang one Tuesday the 3. day. 55. min. past 1. in the morning.
First Quar. on Tuesday the 10. day, 4. min. past 9. in the morning.
Full Moon on Tuesday the 17. day, 52. min. past 2. in the morning.
Last Quar. on Tuesday the 24. day, 13. min. past 4. in the afternoon.

Hot and dry, to the 8. day thence to the 12. some
gentle winds, from the 12. to the 18. some thunder and
hot rain, the 21. 22. 23. 24. and 25. pleasant fair weather,
and the moneth ends with warm showers

Drink new or sweet, take not at all,

For thereby grows no danger small:

A fair in Kinross the first tuesday of June. Bernard fair the second tuesday: in Stramiglio, Aberdour and Ennerkeithing the 6. A weekly mercat in Forfar, beginning the 8. of June, of neat sheep, horse, &c. continuing till the first of Octob. A fair in Forgondeny the 10. S. Barnabie in Lawder and Dysert, Dowglas, S. Lawrence in Grinock the 11. day. S. Margaret in Abernethy: Ceres in Fife the 13. Midsummer on S. John's day in S. Johnston five dayes, in Air four dayes; in Wigton's Bamff, and Athelston the 14. In Scone 3. days with an, weeklie market and in Auchterueil and Clackmannan and Bocklyvie in the Parish of Kippen the 15. Saint Margaret in Dumfermling, and at Moffat the 18. day in which place there is a weekly mercat every friday. Earlston the 19. Methil the 22. day. In Kirkintilloch of Horse sheep & other Commodities, on the 24. Midsummer day in Hawick in the South, hard by the river of Teviot, for horse, sheep, oxen, and neat, &c. on the 24. day, together with a weekly mercat day alway upon the thursday. Also in Forres, Toronyetam on the border the 24. day, of horse, neat and sheep, &c. the 24. with a weekly mercat. In Athy in Angus, called S. Emagola the 25. S. Peters day at Forfar the 26. holding four dayes. Also in Falkland, Burntiland, Bamff, and Kelso the 26. Gallashiels the 27. In Peebles the 29. S. Serisfair the last tuesday of this moneth. S. John Baptist day a fair in Frazerburgh the 24. day. There is also a fair called S. Margaret's fair on the third tuesday of this moneth upon the Mains of Keith-hall sometimes called Caskiben, continuing the whole week, and to be custom free for two years.

¶ xxi. July begins on Tuesday.

The sun riseth 28. min. before 4. sets 28. min. after 8.

Change on Wednesday the 2. day, 7. min. past 3. in the afternoon.

First. Quart. on Wednesday the 9. day, 57. m. past 1. in afternoon.

Full Moon on Wednesday, the 16. day, 8. min. past 1. in the afternoon

Last Quar. on Thursday the 24. day, 58. m. past 9. in the morning.

Change on Thursday the 31. day, 5. min. past 12. at Noon.

From the first to the 8. Hot and dry, thence to the 12. inclining to rain with some winds, thence to the 21. cloudy moist weather like to be thunder, the rest of the moneth exceeding Hot and dry.

Ane yearlie fayre At Edgerfloun in Tiviotdale. and in Culroß the first day of July. Abernethy and Auchtermuchty the 2. day. St. Matthews day in Ross Hartlie the first Tuesday of July, holding three dayes, with an new Built Herbor for; Shpping, In Kirkintilloch of Horse & sheep, & several Commodities the 3. S. Martin of Bulzeon 4. day. Peter fair in Peterhead The first Tuesday in Dundie a new fair. S. Thomas in Langnewton, midway betwixt Jedburgh and Melroß the 5. day S. Palladium in Forden of the Merns the 6. S. Andrew in Glasgow the 7. S. Lawrence at Grinock the 11. day. Kils winning the 12. day. S. Margaret in Frendraught, and Aiky fair in Old Deer, both on the 2. tuesday. A fair at Borrowstonness the second wednesday. S. Margaret in Killinure the 13. six days at the Kirk of Forrig; in Terves the 3. tuesday; in Moffat and Kirkadie a fair of horse, neat, & sheep the 18. Stirling the 20. Mary Magdalen in Linlithgow, Pettenween at Pathhead the 22. in Airth the 24. S. James in Forfar, Cowpnd of Fife, Lanerk, Roxburgh, Kinghorn, Elgin in Murray, and ier Musselburgh the 25. Pollinar fair in Inverary; and Lambmas fair in Turreff, both on the last tuesday The last thursday of July a fair in Lesly, and at Whitehorn two days. S. Christina in Corstorphin a fair the 24. day.

*Perfume thy house with favors sweet,
But such as are for purpose meet.*

¶ xxi. August begins on Fryday.

Sun riseth 29. min. after 5. sets 29. min. before 7.

First Quar. on Thursday the 7. day 5. min. past 6. in the afternoon

Full Moon on Fryday the 15. day, at 2. in the afternoon.

Last Quar. on Saterday the 23. day 8. min. past 3. in the morning.

Change on Saterday the 30. day, 57. min. past 9. in the morning.

This moneth begins very Hot and parching to the 8. day thence to the 11. some smal rain, thence to the 18. reasonable: thence to the 24. hot and cloudy, the end is brabe Harbest weather.

Lambmas day in Atturf three days long and in Melroß, Ennerkietbing, S. Andrews, and in Dumbartan the first day.
Lawer.

Lawrence fair in Rane the first tuesday, the 2. tuesday at Jedburgh, thursday after in Falkland. Martimas fair the 3. tuesday S. Lawrence in Selkirk, Auchtermuchty, Forres and Carnwath the 10. In Kirkintilloch of Horse, and sheep, & other Commodities the 12. In Rane two days before Kilmahug, & at the burn of Campsie. Lady day in Dundie, Bamff, Merns and Vallyfield: Martimas in Innerness, and Mary day the first at Monymusk the 15. at Rugland the 20. lasting four day. and In Scone on the twentieth two lasting three days S. Bartholomew Apostle in Linlithgow, Kinkarn of Neil, Clackmanan and Peebles the 24. S. Zepherinus in Corstorphin the 26. day a fair. Semarevis day in Forres and Keith the 27. day. S. Johns day in S. Johnston the 29. day. Lanerk a fair the last friday of this moneth. A fair in Stranraer on the Reinds of Galloway, named St. Johns day, the last friday of August.

Let little sleep thee now content,
Purge not, nor Blood, lest thou repent.

xxx. September begins on Monday.

The sun riseth 20. min. before 6. and sets 20 min. after 6.

First Quar. on Saturday the 6. day 10. min. past 2. in the afternoon.

Full Moon on Saturday the 13. day 6. m. past 4. in the afternoon.

Last Quar. on Sunday the 21. day 57. min. past 7. at night.

Change on Sunday the 28. day, 9. min. past 7. at night.

This moneth begins with fair weather to the 7. day from thence to the 10. some showers, then to the 23. wind and rain, the rest good harvest weather.

S. Giles in Elgin the first day, Moffat the 2. Skirlin the 4. Latter Lady day in Stirling, Dundie, Bamff, Monymusk and Inverury the 8. in Auchtermuchty and Salane the 11. Rude fair in Jedburgh and Innerness the 14. in Forfar a fair the 15. holding 8. days. A fair at Kirkadie, of horse, neat, and sheep. &c. the 20. Matthew Apostle in Linlithgow the 21. Rude fair in Caril, Jedburgh, Dumfermling, Dumfries and Athelston 24. at Leven, Langnewton midway betwixt Jedburgh and Melrose 27. S. Michel in Frendraught, Haddington, Lesly, Air, S. Andrews, Crief, Kirkubright, Galashiels, and at the Kirk of Forrig and

and at Ranfrew, of horse, neat and sheep, custome free for
three years, the 29. St. Marks day in Rose Hartie, the last
Tuesday of September, holding three dayes with a weekly
Marcet every Fryday, S. Jerom in Bamff the last day.

Raw fruit, though ripe, may sickness bring,
Unripe much eat, a dangerous thing.

xxxi. October begins on Wednesday.

The sun riseth 39. min. after 6. and sets 21. min after 5.

First Quar. on Sunday the 5. day 58. min. past 10. in the forenoon.

Full Moon on Monday the 13. day. 13. m. past 10. in the forenoon.

Last Quar. on Tuesday the 21. day 8. m. past 11. in the forenoon.

Change on Tuesday the 28. day 5. min. past 5. in the Morning.

From the first to the 8. a violent air, with wind and rain,
then to the 13. cold and cloudy, thence to the 20. more
temperat, the rest of the month heigh winds.

The 1, 2, 3. a fair in Salt Preston, the first Tuesday in Dundie a
new fair. S. Francis in Abernethy and Vallyfield the 4. Ane Tearly
sayre At Edgerstoun in Tiviotdeal upon the fysth day Dionyse in
Peebles, Earlston, Kirkintillech, Aiton, Auchtermuchti, Ceres
in Fife, Killimure and Moffat the 9. In Kirkintilloch of Horse
sheep and other Commodities the ninth. A fair of Horse neat and
sheep and other merchand ware at the Clachan in nether Lorn
the second wensday in October Dalkeith & Tillibol the 10. at In-
nerkeithing the 12. day, Fenduc at Dunninig the 13. in Forgondeny the
15. day, at Musselburgh & Borrowstonneß the 16. with two weekly
markets the munday and friday. S. Luke in Lawder, Kinross, Rugland
the 18. day. Townyetam on the border the 20. of horse, neat, sheep, and a
weekly market. S. Irene in corstorphin and at the Kirk of Carlouk
the 20. with a weekly market every wednesday: and at Linton in
Tweddal, of horse, neat and sheep, and other merchandise, with a week-
ly market every wednesday for all time coming, of all sorts of goods and
gear, the 20. A fair at new church of Kilpatrick, of horse, neat, lint,
cloath, &c. free of custome for 7. years, 21. Mary Salamin in Stir-
ling and Kelso the 22. A fair at Forfar and in Linlithgow the 24. in
Kilreny and Stramiglio the 25. Fowls fair in Pasley and Falkirk the
26. Simon and Jude in Dysert, Falkirk, Cokani, Kirkliston and Ha-
wick the 28. in Alloway the 29. The last thursday of this month a
fair in Whithorn holding two days.

prepare

Prepare warm Food if thou be wife;
For Health, use daily exercise.

Lxx. November begins on Saturday.

The Sun riseth 54. min. after 7. and sets 6. min. after 4.

First Quar. on Tuesday the 4. day, 6. min. past 1. in the morning.

Full Moon on Wednesday the 12. day. 58. min. past 4. in morning.

Last Quar. on Wednesday the 19. day 8. m. past 11. at night.

Change on Wednesday the 26. day, 59. m. past 2. in the afternoon.

This moneth begins with cold wind, and rain to the 5. day, from thence to 17. great rain, thence to the 23. dark and misty, then to the 28. some snow, and towards the end cold winter weather.

Hallowday in Edinburgh 8. days, in Falkland, Dumblane, Fordice the 1. first day: in Alathy the 2. in Kilwinning the 3. at Jedburgh the first tuesday. S. Leonard in Lanerk Forres the 6. Bocklyvie in the Parish of Kippen, of horse, neat, and sheep, and other commodities, and a weekly Market every tuesday the 7. S. Martin in Dumbar, Melroik, Martinskirk, Strabogy, Cowper of Fife, Hamilton, Culross, Kilmahug the 11. S. Clement in Dundie the 13. S. Helens at Grinock the 15. Margaretmas fair in Dumfermling the 16. at Breich and Peterhead the tuesday thereafter: at Barrowstouness the 18. S. Macharmuch in Tane and Auchtertueil the 22. Burntiland the 23. Maiden fair the 24. Andermas fair in Stradown, and in Frazerburgh the 29. S. Andrew in S. Johnston, Peebles and Chirnside the 30. day.

If Rheumes do now molest thy head,
It is not ill to sweat in bed.

Lxxi. December begins on Monday.

The Sun riseth 37. min. after 8. and sets 23. min. after 3.

First Quar. on Wednesday the 3. day, 9. min. past 6. at night.

Full Moon on Thursday the 11. day. 58. min. past 10. at night.

Last Quar. on Friday the 19. day, 5. m. past 10. in the morning.

Change on Friday the 26. day. 56. m. past 2. in the morning.

This moneth begins with cold stormy weather to the 10. day, from thence to the 15. snow, then to the 22. frost and snow, and all the rest of the moneth great wind and rain.

At Ranfrew the 6. S. Nicolas in Aberdene the 7. Bells
Fair, and Lady day in Westweems the 8. S. Dunstane in Bamff, at
the Kirk of Dier and Rothemay the 14. S. Cuthbert in the Grange,
within the Sheriffdom of Linlithgow the 17. S. Thomas in Glas-
gow the 15. and Innernefs the 20. S. Johns day in Bamff and
Forres, and Levenmouth the 27. day.

Now cold December is come in;
The poor mans back is cloathed thin:

Advertisment for New Fairs.

And first of these following, to my LORD
HADD O, High Chancelour of Scotland,

First, S. Valentines Fair at the Kirk of Methlick, on the 13. and
14. of Februar. St. Anas Fair at the Town of Tarves, on the 13.
and 14. of March, St. George, at the Kirk of Methlick the 23. and
24. of April. St. Margrat at Tarves, the 17. and 18. of July. St.
Martins at Tarves, the 10. and 11. of Sept, St. Tazlen at Tarves,
one the 16. and 17. of October. St. Denick at Methlick, 13. and
14. November St. Andrew at Tarves the 4. 5. of December.

Of Fairs within the Shyre of Angus.

St Colmes which stands on Muirskeith, near the Kirk of Cor-
rachie; 12 of July S. Ninians upon the Muir of Alith upon the
first Tuesday before Whitsunday, Marie fair, upon Keith Muir, the
11. of September. S. Davids upon Keith Muir, the 2. of October;
each of the a foresaid Four Fairs stands four days.

Four Fairs in the Town of Falkirk: on Fair upon the
First of May. The second on the 9. of July. The 3.
on the 15. of August, And the last is on
The 26. of October.

THis Winter shal be unstedfast, and not comfortable: and
vow, there shal be frosts in the Spring, which shal greatly
hurt the fruits in Scotland the flowers in England, and the vines in
France, and the banquerours of Ireland.

The Summer shal be dry, hote and parceing, in so much that
the garden herbs shal perish.

All things shall be dear, except only Corn, whereof shal be such
abundance in the lower ground, that the higher parts shal have no
need.

Little fat flesh, but good store of fish. Wines shal be naughty and
rotten so that many shal be vexed with the cough; or hoisting; yea,
die on the bloody fluxes. Beware, Cummers.

This much for the present, I Request our Norland Saylers to take
heed, who sail rather by groff gues and sight, then by Compass,
and cunning: for perhaps your Meale Voyages, will not afford you
moneys to buy the Sea Spieghel, Waghener, Lansberg, or such like
commodious books, whereas you may attain to one of these Prognos-
tifications, for the price of a Pipe of Tobacco, if Sir good Ale permit.

Alwayes, it will stand you upon to make as quick return, and as
great gains as you may to your Masters: for it is presaged, that the
prices of Cornes shal come down, or at least not grow higher;
whereby it may chance that some of the Muzzelers of the Poor, shal
shoot the furlot from under their feet.

That Publick Well must needs to ruine goe
Where private Profit is preferred so.

And Fame will not fail.

For to exploare what lyes most secret hidden;
Entering the closet of the Palice dweller;
A broad Revealer of what is forbidden;
Of truth and falsehood both an equal teller.
It is not a guard can serve for to expel her.
The Sword of Justice cannot cut her wings;
Nor stop her mouth from uttering secret things.

As to speak any further of this year I know not how to behave my
self towards every one, seeing there are so many Gnatonismers among

that one can scarcely let a fart, but it is interpreted to be a crack of thunder by the malicious.

However, to lie I cannot: Flatter I may not: Tell all the truth, I dare not: Turn Phanatick, I swear not: Play the churle, I love not: And to be altogether silent, I must not

*Merchands and Musicians shal hardly thrive,
Where Pedlers and Fidlers for State do strive.*

As for out Younkers,
*Such as is their Ramming time,
Such also is their Lamming time.*

Of Maids:

*One is no number: a Maid is nothing than,
Without the sweet societie of Man.*

How Women will approve themselves this year,
*I spare my time to spend;
For even as first they did begine,
So let them strive to end.*

I Into the Month of July hark;
In Bamff appears a wonderous work:
Fife Brethren shall be born at once,
Without either flesh, blood, or bones;
Two shall have beards, two shall have none,
The fifth shall have but half a one.

A Wealthie Wifers son upon a day,
Met a poore youth that did intreat and pray
Some thing in charity in his distress:
Help, Sir, quoth he, one that is fatherless.
Sirrah, quoth he, away, begone with speed:
He help none such thou art a knave indeed.

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Dost thou complain because thou wantst a Father?
Were it my case, I should reioice the rather:
For if thy fathers death make the repine;
I would my Father had excused thine

In this Year will be great rumours of Wars; but the tallest man shall not prove the best souldiour, neither the Noblest mans son the best Schollar, nor yet the richest the best merchant.

Many Tennants shal leave their habitations void to their greedy Land-lords. Some strife among Noble-men, and great loss unto cationers and creditors, by their vain-glorious and desperate debtors. Many shall be to seek at the Terms of payment, and sundry take their leave without Fare-well.

The Dismal or perillous dayes of the Year.

Masters of Astronomy and Physick that these Arts first found, tell the most perillous and dangerous days in the year; in which if any man or woman be let blood or wound or vein, they shal die within 21. days following. Or whoso falleth into sickness on any of these days, they shal never escape it till they be dead. And whoso taketh any great journey in any of these days to go from home, he shal be in danger to die ere he come again. And whoso weddeth a wife in any of these dayes, they shal soon be parted, or else they shall live together with much sorrow. And whoso beginneth in any of these dayes any great work, it shall never come to good end: and these are the days following. In January are eight days, that is to say. the 1. and 2. 4. 5. 10. 11. 17. 19. In February thre dayes, the 8. 16. and 17. In March are 3. dayes, the 15. 16. and 21. In April two dayes, the 15. and 21. In May are thre dayes, the 7. 15. 20. In June are two dayes, the 4. and 7. In July are two dayes, the 15. and 20. In August are two dayes, the 19. and 26. In September are two dayes, the 6. and 7. In October is one the 6. In November are two, the 5. and 19. In December are thre dayes the 6. and 7. and 11. and others say, the 15. and 16.

And whoso will learn the Canticular or dog-dayes, which are dayes of great danger and peril. may know they begin the 19. day of July, and continue to the 28. day of August: which season is very perillous to take sickness: and it is also perillous to take drinks and medecines: or to let blood: But if it be great need, then it must be before the midst of the day.

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